

Foreign Pupils Address P-TA

Foreign students from Pepperdine College were guest speakers at the January meeting of Seaside P-TA. Dr. Woodrow Whitten of Pepperdine introduced to the audience Mario Henella from Naples, Italy, Inge Stemann from Hamburg, Germany, and Joko Sato of Japan. The three students spoke on life in their country and their schools.

Women

Club News Society News

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NURSES CAPPED AT LOCAL CEREMONIES

The vocational nurse capping ceremonies for the class of 1955 from Los Angeles Harbor Junior College and Harbor General Hospital, was held last Sunday, January 30, at the First Baptist Church of Torrance.

Included in the class were Tressie Glinski, Mary Gorman, Freda Lacy, James Sheehy, and Elsie Sadacca of Torrance, and Sylvia Coats of Harbor City.

The invocation was given by Chaplain John Penner, and Arlene Vasquez, president of the 1955 class, welcomed the honored guests. Guests included Raymond J. Casey, director of Harbor JC; Alfred L. Thomas, director of Harbor General Hospital; and Hazel Merillat Whedon, administrative dean at Harbor Junior College.

Frances J. Scott, R.N., director of nursing at Harbor General and Eleanor Anderson, R.N., instructor at Harbor JC, conducted the capping ceremonies.

A reception was held at the church, and hostesses were Roberta Ridge and Alice Tristler.

Initiation Held By Eastern Star

Torrance chapter, Order of Eastern Star, conducted their first initiation ceremony of the year recently. Phyllis Poverlay, worthy matron, and Earl Wells, worthy patron, presided.

The following worthy matrons and worthy patrons were escorted to the East and presented. Jo Parsons and Cecil Dowling, Lomita; Virginia and Leslie Baker, Playa Linda; Stella and Clifford Riedl, Carnation; Merle Savage and William Gallaretto, San Pedro Harbor; Ellen Zankich, Point Firmin; and Mabel Goffey, Fuchsia. A group of past matrons and past patrons were escorted, representing all the chapters of the District. Due to illness, Deputy Myrna Sams was unable to be present.

Julio Junior was initiated into the order and given a hearty welcome. Past matrons and past patrons night was announced for March 3, and the drawing was held for the various offices. All past matrons and past patrons were urged to attend.

The dining room was decorated with bouquets of fresh flowers and each place was marked with individual place mats. Rolve Bever was chairman and her committee consisted of Mabel Hof, Myrtle Clayton, Hazel Hyde, Nellie

Mardi Gras Dance Set By Parish

A Mardi Gras costume dance is planned for Saturday, February 12, sponsored by St. Catherine Labouré parish council of women. Costumes are optional, however, prizes will be awarded for those judged most original and funniest.

The dance will begin at 8 p.m. at the St. Catherine parish hall on Redondo Beach blvd. between Crenshaw and Prairie blvds. Humphrey's orchestra will provide the music, and tickets may be purchased at the door. The public is invited.

Aquarium Club

The Junior Aquarium Club will meet Friday evening, February 4, at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Don Coker, 417 Calle Mayor, Hollywood Riviera.

For transportation to the meeting phone arrangements may be made through Conley Church at DA. 9-2303 or Mrs. Irene Harris at FA. 8-6569.

Refreshments will be served at the meeting.

Fireladies To Welcome New Members

The monthly board meeting of Torrance Fireladies was held recently at Irons Cottage in Redondo, and plans were discussed for the welcome of new prospective members at the February 7 meeting. At the same time the forthcoming potluck dinners on February 11 and 12 were also given attention.

Hostesses for the next meeting on February 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Civil Defense building, are Mesdames Edgar F. Polston and Walter R. West. New members to be welcomed will include Mesdames Richard L. De Armit, Vernon G. Langford, Lovelle R. McCown, Leo J. Palumbo, Albert M. Salcido, and Paul M. Smith.

The program will include films of Hawaii shown by Mitchell Barosh.

Haynes and Margaret Raymond.

Babe Ruth And Little League To Benefit From Valentine Dance On February 12



LITTLE LEAGUERS . . . Mothers of the Babe Ruth and Little League Auxiliaries planning refreshments for their February 12 Valentine fund-raising dance are seated (l. to r.) Mrs. P. L. McMichael and Mrs. A. W. Armitstead,

chairman of the refreshment committee. Standing are committee members Mrs. J. K. Tarney and Mrs. J. K. Clutter. Proceeds from the dance are earmarked for the new baseball field for the boys on Plaza del Amo.

Proceeds Slated for Ball Park

A Valentine Dance will be held at the Alan Richard Hall on Carson street February 12, sponsored by the mothers' auxiliaries on the Babe Ruth and Little Leagues to raise funds for completion of the baseball field at Del Amo and Western.

The new field will incorporate two baseball diamonds, one for each league, and parents of the boys have been meeting regularly the past few months working on plans for the project.

Chairman for the dance is Mrs. John Keith, and her committee for decorations includes Mesdames Jack Markley, Phil Humphreys, and Art Campbell. Heading the refreshment committee is Mrs. A. W. Armitstead assisted by Mesdames P. L. McMichael, J. K. Tarney, and J. K. Clutter.

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Plans for a Valentine's dance will be foremost on the agenda when the Nativity Mothers Club meets Tuesday evening, February 8, in Nativity Parish Hall.

The dance, which is this month's project for the club, is scheduled for February 11 in the Moose Hall, 1744 West Carson st. Music will be provided by Tom Ulrich and his orchestra. Further information regarding the dance may be obtained from Mrs. Gregory Gordon, dance chairman, 1423 Acacia st.

An electric blanket will be awarded as door prize at the dance.

The second grade at Nativity School was awarded the attendance banner for last month.

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GARDEN TOUR ENJOYED BY 'GREEN THUMBERS'

Seventeen members and guests of the Torrance Terrace Garden Club recently visited the Descanso Gardens near La Canada after a luncheon at the Tam o' Shanter Inn on Los Feliz blvd.

The trip, planned by Mrs. Minot Rugg, program chairman, included Mesdames Bertha Duroy, H. P. Lisman, John Thuss, R. V. Russell, Thomas J. McCutcheon, and V. A. Benstead.

Also enjoying the large display of camellias and azaleas in bloom were Mesdames J. E. Cox, Sarl Sanberg, O. A. Linney, A. R. Fiorelli, Dean L. Sears, and J. Parke Montague.

Guests present were Mesdames Lawrence Derouin, J. G. Caldwell, and J. A. Eisenbrandt.

The gardens, famed for their shade plant display, were formerly owned by Manchester Boddy and donated by him to Los Angeles County.

The next business meeting of the Torrance Garden Club will be held at the home of Mrs. J. E. Cox, 1542 W. 214th street, on February 9. There will be a dessert luncheon at 12:30.

Institute On Scouting Proposed

The recent Youth Training Institute given by Ben Solomon, lecturer and teacher from New York University, and author of various books, has prompted Scout leaders in the area to discuss an institute on "Why in Scouting?"

At the W. E. Walton home, 1415 Acacia, a group of Scout leaders met last week to formulate plans. Participating in the meeting were Mr. and Mrs. Solomon; Mrs. Walton, district chairman of Harbor Girl Scouts; Walton, neighborhood commissioner of Boy Scouts; Mrs. Don Menger, chairman of WALTERIA-Seaside Association of Girl Scouts; Mrs. Robert Lusian, assistant chairman; Mrs. Arthur Haley, of Brownie Troop 1588; Mrs. E. M. Dilkus, of Girl Scout Troop 416; and Mrs. P. M. Crossman, of Girl Scout Troop 1006.

Mrs. Thomas Smiley, chairman of program education, who made all arrangements for the meeting, was unable to attend.

No definite date has been set for the course.

Halldale P-TA Plans Award Of Life Membership

Presentation of an honorary life membership by the Halldale Avenue School P-TA at its Founders' Day meeting on February 10, at 1:30 p.m. in the school was discussed when Mrs. E. R. Martin, honorary life membership chairman met with her committee recently.

Those comprising the committee are Mrs. Amanda Bonwell, Halldale principal; Mrs. Walter Schwass, Mrs. Bill Overstreet and Mrs. W. L. Harvey.

A rag and paper drive scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, February 15 and 16, was planned recently by the 186th Street P-TA.

Co-op Officers Announced

Election of officers and a potluck dinner highlighted the meeting of the Torrance Co-operative Nursery School last week in the high school cafeteria.

Mrs. Shirley West was elected president of the group, and Mrs. Dorothy O'Brien, vice-president. Mrs. Peggy Crowley was named secretary, and Don Hughes, treasurer.

Chairmen appointed were Mrs. Sara Bigelow, education; Mrs. Jeon Foley, purchasing; Mrs. Donna Truesdell, membership; Mrs. Thalia Boulter, publicity; Mrs. Ann McLean, scheduling; and Norm Laverty, fathers' work chairman.

Included on the program was a film on the 4 to 5-year-old child.

There will be a joint board meeting of the coop at 8 p.m. on February 7, at the home of Mrs. Don West, 1309 Cordary avenue.

Girl Scouts Assist At P-TA Meet

A group of Girl Scouts of Troop 1293 participated in the recent meeting of their sponsor, the Madrona P-TA, by presenting the colors and baby-sitting afterwards.

The color guards were Jerry Ann Brunner, Jocelyn Green, Linda Lewis, Patsy Lewis, and Carla Osterlind. Jerry Ann and Jocelyn also joined Kathleen Brady, and Janice Jackson in taking care of the youngsters.

Two Senior Girl Scouts, Doree Thompson, and Alice Carpenter of Troop 631, Lomita Ship L'Adventure, spoke to the P-TA on the forthcoming cookie sale from February 18 to February 26.

Troop 1293 is under the leadership of Mesdames E. Carl Osterlind and Elwood Stroman.

St. Valentine Dance Set By Nativity Moms

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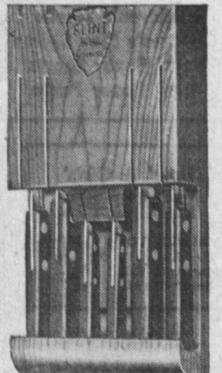
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